

Amendments to the Drawings:

The attached sheet of drawings includes changes to Figs. 1A and 1C. This sheet, which includes Figs. 1A, 1B, 1C, and 2, replaces the original sheet including Figs. 1A, 1B, 1C, and 2. Figs. 1A and 1C have be labeled as --PRIOR ART-- as required by the Examiner.

Attachment: Replacement Sheet

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In the Office Action issued December 12, 2007, claims 1, 4, 7-15, and 17-24 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112(b), ¶2 as being indefinite. The drawings and the specification were objected to.

Claims 1, 4, 7-15, and 17-24 are now pending in this application. Claims 1, 20, and 21 have been amended to clarify the subject matter that the Applicant considers to be the invention to overcome the rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, ¶2. The drawings have been amended as required by the Examiner. The specification has been amended as required by the Examiner. No new matter has been added.

Each of the claims now pending in this application is believed to be in condition for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration of this case and early issuance of the Notice of Allowance are respectfully requested.

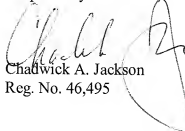
Additional Fees:

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any insufficient fees or credit any overpayment associated with this application to Deposit Account No. 50-4545 (5231-031-US01).

Conclusion

In view of the foregoing, all of the Examiner's rejections to the claims are believed to be overcome. The Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and issuance of a Notice of Allowance for all the claims remaining in the application. Should the Examiner feel further communication would facilitate prosecution, he is urged to call the undersigned at the phone number provided below.

Respectfully Submitted,



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